

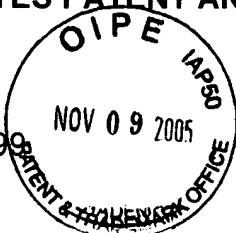


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Applicant : Kara et al.  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for the minimum extension of time necessary so that the accompanying Response to Office Action is timely filed.

It is believed that an extension of three months is required. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$510.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. If this is incorrect however, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment under the foregoing rules to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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